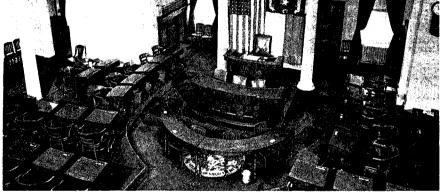
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⊘ [ NATIONAL COUNCIL on PUBLIC HISTORY ]

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The Archives and History/State Library Building in Raleigh, N.C., will be the headquarters of the Third Annual Public History Conference.



The Senate Chamber in the historic North Carolina State Capitol (built between 1833 and 1840) will be the site of several sessions of the public history conference.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

HEADQUARTERS. The Archives and History/State Library Building, 109 East Jones Street, will serve as the conference headquarters. In addition sessions will be held in the State Capitol and in the Visitor Center, 301 North Blount Street.

REGISTRATION. Preregistration is encouraged. The preregistration fee is \$16.00. Registration on site is \$21.00. Preregistration forms must be postmarked no later than April 5, 1981. Make checks payable to Third Annual Public History Conference. All registration packets will be held at the Registration Desk. The desk will be open from 12:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, April 23, and from 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Friday, April 24. The registration fee includes coffee breaks, a reception on Thursday, dinner and entertainment on Saturday, and the registration packet. Your name tag is your ticket to the functions.

ACCOMMODATIONS. The Holiday Inn Downtown and the Journey's End Motel are both within walking distance of all meeting places and a number of restaurants. Make reservations directly with either innkeeper and request a room in the public history conference bloc. Rates do not include a 4% tax.

Holiday Inn Downtown 320 Hillsborough Street Raleigh, N.C. 27602 Telephone: (919) 832-0501 Rates: \$34.00 (single) \$38.00 (double) Journey's End Motel 300 North Dawson Street Raleigh, N.C. 27603 Telephone: (919) 828-9081 Rates: \$22.00 (single) \$30.00 (double) (continued on p. 4)

#### NATIONAL CONFERENCE TO MEET IN RALEIGH

The Third Annual Public History Conference, sponsored by the National Council on Public History, will be held in Raleigh, North Carolina, from April 23 through April 25. The North Carolina Division of Archives and History will host the conference. A full schedule of lectures, workshops, and thematic sessions is planned.

Headquarters for the conference will be the Archives and History/State Library Building, but sessions will also be held in the Capital Area Visitor Center and the State Capitol, a National Historic Landmark. The Capitol, an impressive Greek Revival structure, was built between 1833 and 1840. It underwent restoration between 1971 and 1976, and a refurbishing program to interpret the building as it was in the mid-nineteenth century continues today. The building currently houses the offices of the governor and secretary of state, although at one time it held the entirety of North Carolina's state government.

One of the most important features of the 1981 conference will be the presentation of five major addresses on the philosophy and practice of public history in the United States. The speakers and their topics are Peter N. Stearns, "Policy Development and Analysis"; Larry E. Tise, "Public History Institutions"; Edward Weldon, "Archives and Records Management"; Elizabeth A. Lyon, "Cultural and Environmental Resource Management"; and Stephen Channing, "Information Services and Dissemination." These addresses will be collected, edited, and published. Each will examine the role of history and the history profession in fields other than history, in government, and in the education and training of public historians.

Workshops will make up another major element of the program. The North Carolina Division of Archives and History will conduct ten different workshops on various aspects of public history, with a particular emphasis on recent projects. A museum workshop, for instance, will detail how an exhibit is conceived, planned, and executed, from the funding to the mounting. The workshop will concentrate (continued on p. 4)

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## BYLAWS OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON PUBLIC HISTORY

The following Bylaws were adopted by the National Council on Public History at a business meeting held in Washington, D.C., on December 28, 1980. The National Council was incorporated in May of 1980 in the District of Columbia under provisions of the Nonprofit Corporation Act; application for recognition of exemption under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code is being made.

#### Article I: Name

The name of this corporation shall be the National Council on Public History.

#### Article II: Objectives

The objectives of the Council shall be to promote and educate the public in an appreciation of public history; to represent those groups that practice public history; to support practitioners of public history; to coordinate professional activities; and to provide appropriate services.

#### Article III: Organization

Section 1. Board of Directors. The affairs of the Council shall be managed by the Board of Directors except as otherwise provided by law, by the Charter of this corporation, or by these Bylaws.

The Board shall consist of 32 Directors, fixed in number. Directors will serve a fouryear term, with eight directors rotating off each year. Directors must wait two years before becoming eligible to serve a second term. Vacancies are filled by the Board from a slate chosen by the Nominating Committee.

Resignation. A director may resign from membership on the Board at any time by giving notice of his resignation in writing addressed to the President or Secretary of the Council or by presenting his written resignation in person at an annual, regular or special meeting of the Board.

Vacancies. A vacancy occurring among the elected directors may be filled by a majority of the remaining directors, though less than a quorum.

Section 2. Executive Committee. Executive Committee shall consist of a Chair, a Vice Chair, a Treasurer, a Secretary, 3 members and a ex officio.

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall elect a Chair for a term of two years. The Chair may be reelected for an additional term of two years. The Chair shall serve concurrently as the Chair of the Executive Committee.

At the annual meeting the Board of Directors shall elect five members of the Executive Committee for terms of one year. No member of the Executive Committee shall serve more than three consecutive years but may be elected again after a lapse of one year for no more than three additional years. The Executive Committee shall consist of a Chair, a Vice Chair and three other members. The Secretary and Treasurer shall serve *ex officio* on the Executive Committee, without vote.

Chair. The Chair shall be the chief executive officer of the corporation and, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, shall supervise the control and management of the Council in accordance with these Bylaws. The Chair shall, when present, preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors. The Chair shall sign, with any other proper officer, instruments which may be lawfully executed on behalf of the corporation, except where required or permitted by law to be otherwise signed and executed, and except where the signing and execution thereof shall be delegated by the Board of Directors to some other officer or agent. In general, the Chair shall perform all duties incident to the office of President and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.

Vice Chair. The Vice Chair shall exercise the powers of the Chair during that officer's absence or inability to act. Any action taken by the Vice Chair in the performance of the duties of the President shall be presumptive evidence of the absence or inability to act of the Chair at the time such action was taken. The Vice Chair shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Board of Directors.

Treasurer. The Treasurer shall be appointed by the Chair and have custody of all funds and securities belonging to the corporation and shall receive, deposit or disburse the same under the direction of the Board of Directors; provided, that the Board may appoint a custodian or depository for any such funds or securities, and provide upon whose signature or authority such funds may be disbursed or transferred.

Secretary. The Secretary shall be appointed by the Chair and shall keep accurate records of the acts and proceedings of all meetings of the Board of Directors. The Secretary shall give or cause to be given notices required by law and by these Bylaws, and shall have general charge of the corporate records and of the corporate seal and shall affix the corporate seal to any lawfully executed instrument requiring it.

Section 3. (1) Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee shall consist of 5 members, three of whom shall be appointed by the Board and two of whom shall be appointed by the Council of Institutional Affiliates.

(2) Standing Committees: Standing committees not having and exercising the authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the corporation may be designated by a resolution adopted by a majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present. Except as otherwise provided in such resolution, the Chair of the corporation shall appoint the members and the chair thereof. The Chair may establish other ad hoc committees as needed.

Section 4. Council of Institutional Affiliates. Organizations, corporations or other groups may become institutional affiliates upon payment of an annual fee and acceptance by the Board of Directors. Each organization shall have one delegate to the Council of Institutional Affiliates which meets at the time of the annual meeting. The responsibilities of the Council of Institutional Affiliates shall be decided by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Associates of the National Council on Public History. Any individual may become an associate of the National Council on Public History upon payment of an annual fee. Associates of the National Council on Public History may receive The Public Historian and the NCPH Newsletter and may choose, annually by mail ballot, three delegates to the Council of Institutional Affiliates.

## Article IV: Meetings

Section 1. Annual meeting. The Board of Directors shall hold an annual meeting to act on resolutions presented by the Executive Committee; to nominate and elect officers; and to transact other business.

Section 2. Special Meetings. The Chair of the Board of Directors may call special meetings of the Board. Members of the Board of Directors may call a meeting by petition. At least one-third of the members of the Board must subscribe to such a petition.

Section 3. Quorum. A majority of the directors in office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business at any meeting of the Board of Directors.

Section 4. Meetings of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall meet at the annual meeting and at other times at the call of the Chair.

#### **General Provisions**

#### Article V: Amendments

Section 1. Amendments. Members of the Board of Directors may propose amendments to these Bylaws. A two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors shall be required to pass an amendment. Notice of votes on amendments shall be given to members of the Board of Directors 30 days in advance of the annual meeting or special meetings at which amendments are put to the vote.

Section 2. Checks. All checks, drafts or orders for the payment of money or notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the corporation shall be signed by such officer or officers or other individuals as the Directors may from time to time designate. In the absence of such designation by the Directors, such instruments shall be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Chair or Vice-Chair.

Section 3. Deposits. All funds of the corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Board of Directors may select.

Section 4. Gifts. The Executive Committee may accept on behalf of the corporation any contribution, gift, bequest or devise of real or personal property for the general purposes or for any special purpose of the corporation.

Section 5. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the corporation shall be the period ending on December 31 of each year.

Section 6. Books and Records. The books and records of the corporation shall be kept by the Treasurer, and the audit report or the result of such audit report shall be submitted to each member of the Board promptly after its completion. All books and records of the corporation may be inspected by any Director for any proper purpose at any reasonable time.

Section 7. Adoption. The acting Board of Directors of the National Council on Public History shall adopt these Bylaws. A twothirds majority shall be required for passage. The acting Board of Directors shall arrange the transition from provisional organization to permanent organization.

## **MEETINGS**

## NAVMAT TO HOLD FIRST HISTORY CONFERENCE

The first History Conference ever held by the Naval Material Command will take place in the Capital Room of the National Press Club on Tuesday, 21 April 1981 from 0830 until 1500. Primary purpose of this gathering is to focus command attention upon the four primary values of agency history:

- 1. providing a permanent record of achievement for future generations,
- 2. ensuring existence of a meaningful and useful corporate memory,
- 3. offering opportunities to broaden public understanding of the command's mission and accomplishments, and
- 4. documenting the worthy heritage of achievement in the hope of thereby enhancing employee productivity.

Accordingly, this conference agenda will focus on a series of opportunities for NavMat historic efforts-including command histories, the Naval Historical Center, the Historic American Engineering Record, and national museums of naval interest (both afloat and ashore). Additionally, current progress in various historic endeavors within the command will be discussed, such as-the NavMat Laboratory history program, historic preservation within the Navy, applied history (corporate memory), effective use of archives, and a local "do it yourself" museum project. Speakers (to be announced later) will include a variety of experts from within and without both NavMat and the Navy.

The conference will conclude by developing a practical, programmed agenda for NavMat history efforts in the days to come. Conference chairman is Dr. David L. Woods, (MAT-00W), Special Assistant to the Chief of Naval Material. The National Press Club is located near 14th and Pennsylvania, only two blocks from Metro Center.

Registration for the day (including luncheon, morning coffee, and limited club privileges) is \$20.00, and must be confirmed and paid by 15 April 1981. To register or obtain further information, telephone 962-8831 or auto von 222-8831. While attendance is open, the conference is designed for NavMat command members and other interested personnel located in the Greater Washington, DC area.

#### **PROGRAM PLANNING FOR 1981\***

September 12-17, 1981: The Public Works Historical Society will meet in Atlanta in conjunction with the American Public Works Association's International Public Works Congress and Equipment Show. Historians wishing to participate in sessions devoted to discussions of current problems in the fields of transportation, water, power, waste collection and disposal, energy, public buildings, or public works administration and management should contact Suellen M. Hoy, Public Works Historical Society, 1313 E. 60th Street, Chicago, Illinois 60637 no later than mid April.

September 25-27, 1981: Michigan Technological University is hosting a symposium focused on "Power, Transport, and Public Policy in Modern America." The session titles are: The Ideology and Culture of Energy Production; Communities, Energy, and Transport: Economic Growth and Decline; Energy, Transport, and the Social Organization of Communities; Government and Policy; and a panel which will provide an overview. For information regarding program participation and/or local arrangements, contact George H. Daniels or Mark H. Rose, Department of Social Sciences, Michigan Technological University, Houghton, Michigan 49931.

September 30-Oa ober 4, 1981: The National Trust for Historic Preservation is holding its National Preservation Conference in New Orleans. Historians interested in participating on the program should contact Antoinette J. Lee, Preservation Services, National Trust for Historic Preservation, 1785 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.

December 27-30, 1981: The 1981 annual meeting of the History of Science Society will be held in Los Angeles (jointly with the American Historical Association). Although final proposals for regular sessions were due March 1, proposals for 15-minute work-in-progress papers (including an abstract and brief vita) are due by May 1 and should be sent to David Lindberg or Ronald Numbers, Department of the History of Science, South Hall, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin 53706.

\*Please, send notices regarding your organization's program planning for 1982 to Suellen M. Hoy, Public Works Historical Society, 1313 E. 60th Street, Chicago, IL 60637.

#### PUBLIC HISTORY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

The University of Connecticut Department of History's graduate program in Public History and Archival Management will enter its second year of operation beginning September, 1981.

The program will normally take two years to complete and will lead to a Masters degree in History and a Certificate in Public History and Archival Management. Its purpose is to train historians to organize, administer and use public, business and labor archives and records.

In addition to regular academic work in history, students will be expected to enroll in skills courses, which may include archival management and organization, basic library reference, management information systems and computer science. A practicum in archival arrangement and description will be required. Students will work in the University Library's Historical Manuscripts and Archives, which include business, labor and ethnic collections.

An internship of approximately 15 weeks will be required in a public agency or business firm. United Technologies Corporation is offering *paid* internships at its Archives in East Hartford based on a 15week work period. These internships, or those which may be made available by other agencies, will be awarded to students in the program who are successfully completing all requirements and are recommended by the Committee on Public History.

For further information and application forms, write: Chairperson, Graduate Admissions Committee, Department of History, U-103, The University of Connecticut, Storrs, Connecticut 06268. Applications with supporting documents should be sent to the Chairperson of the Graduate Admissions Committee as early as possible. Applicants for financial aid should submit materials by March 1, 1981. Other applications will be accepted until April 15 and, under special circumstances, until June 1, 1981.

#### PUBLIC WORKS HISTORICAL SOCIETY OFFERS HERITAGE SCHOLARSHIP

A \$1,000 scholarship was awarded to the Virginia-DC-Maryland Chapter by the Public Works Historical Society and Rockwell International as part of the 1979 Heritage Award. The chapter won the award in national competition for conducting the most comprehensive program of historical activity during that year. The chapter sponsored heritage luncheons and dinners, established its own Historic Preservation A ward, and published an illustrated booklet, "History Lives Again Through Public Works", in addition to many other historical activities.

The scholarship is to be used towards the tuition of an undergraduate or graduate student, full- or part-time, who has shown an interest in any phase of public works bridges, public buildings, waterworks, roads, etc. This interest may have been demonstrated through research, a special project, or even job experience.

Anyone interested in applying for the scholarship should request an application from:

Gene L. Neff, Deputy Director Department of Public Works Baltimore County Office Building Towson, Maryland 21204 Telephone: (301) 494-3306

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on current exhibits as well as the highly successful "Black Presence in North Carolina'' exhibit that stood in 1978 and 1979. Other workshops will offer practical information on grantsmanship and nonprofit support corporations and explain such nuts-and-bolts operations as the North Carolina Colonial Records Project and the State Archives. More specialized workshops will discuss the unique needs of a public history institution in researching historic structures and material culture and in producing interpretive films. A field trip to Duke Homestead State Historic Site in Durham, limited to the first forty registrants, will furnish an insider's view of preserving and interpreting historic sites.

The eighteen thematic sessions will cover a wide array of subjects. Several will appeal to students wishing to know more about public history programs and internships, while others will examine public history programs at the grass roots. The growing professionalization of history will be the subject of at least two sessions, while several others will feature historians working in nontraditional positions in both the public and private sectors. A session on history and archaeology should provide fireworks as advocates of the two disciplines debate which of the two should define the contours of cultural resource management. Still other sessions will consider the importance of historians in commemorative events and in the leisuretime activities of Americans.

The conference will conclude with a panel discussion of the five principal addresses to be followed by barbecue, bluegrass, and beverages "on the grounds." Tar Heel hospitalify and a rich and challenging program should make the Third Annual Public History Conference the best yet. For a copy of the program, write William Price, Acting Director, Division of Archives and History, 109 E. Jones St., Raleigh, North Carolina 27611.

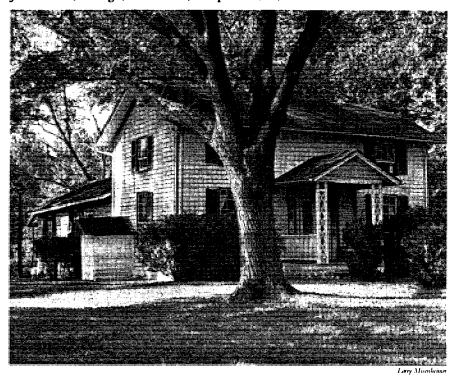
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PARKING. Parking is available at the hotels in which registrants stay. There is also a visitors' parking lot between the State Capitol and Legislative Building, which must be entered from Edenton Street. However, this lot fills up fast. Do not park in state government parking lots. Parking on the street in the Historic Oakwood District is possible several blocks from the Archives and History/State Library Building.

AIRPORT TRANSPORTATION. Airport limousine service from the Raleigh-Durham Airport takes about 30 minutes. The rate is \$4.25 each way or \$8.00 if a roundtrip ticket is purchased.

FIELD TRIP. A bus trip to Duke Homestead State Historic Site in Durham is planned for Friday, April 24. The field trip will be limited to the first forty registrants who pay an additional \$4.00 fee. (See preregistration form elsewhere in this program.)

For further information on local arrangements contact: Camille Patterson, Educational Coordinator, State Capitol/Visitor Services Section, or Ellen McGrew, Archivist, Archives and Records Section, Division of Archives and History, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, N.C. 27611, Telephone: (919) 733-4994 or 733-3952.



Duke Homestead State Historic Site will be the subject of a workshop at the Third Annual Public History Conference. The site was the home of Washington, James Buchanan, and Benjamin Newton Duke, founders of a tobacco and hydroelectric empire and philanthropists (Duke University).

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